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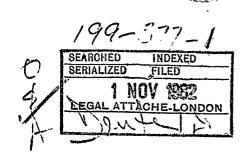
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BY TELETPE OCTOBER 26, 1982, LEGAT BONN ADVISED:

DEA COUNTRY ATTACHE, AMERICAN EMBASSY, BONN, HAS PROVIDED COPY OF CABLE NUMBER 5911 DATED OCTOBER 15, 1982 FROM AMERICAN EMBASSY, BUENOS AIRES, TO DEA HEADQUARTERS AND EMBASSIES IN BOGOTA, BONN, BRASILIA, LA PAZ, LONDON, MEXICO, MONTEVIDEO, PARIS, THE HAGUE, THE NETHERLANDS, VIENNA AND EL PASO INTELLIGENCE CENTER (EPIC), EL PASO, TEXAS. TEXT OF CABLE FOLLOWS:

- 1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. ON OCTOBER 14, 1982, A WALK-IN SOURCE OF INFORMATION OF UNKNOWN RELIABILITY PROVIDED THE BUENOS AIRES CO WITH INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ALLEGED EXISTENCE OF A POWERFUL, POLITICALLY ORIENTED ORGANIZATION NAMED "SIGNO 21 PT". SOI REPORTED THAT PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE OF THIS ORGANIZATION IS THE FINANCING OF LEFTIST SUBVERSION AND TERRORIST ACTIVITIES THRU KIDNAPPING, NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING AND OTHER PROFITABLE, CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. SOI STATED THAT THIS ORGANIZATION BEGAN APPROXIMATELY

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EIGHT YEARS AGO IN ITALY, BUT NOW HAS AXTIVE ELEMENTS IN MANY

OTHER COUNTRIES INCLUDING WEST GERMANY, ENGLAND, FRANCE,

LUXEMBOURG, SWITZERLAND, AUSTRALIA, COLOMBIA, ARGENTINA,

BRAZIL, BOLIVIA, MEXICO, HOLLAND AND THE U. S.

- JACCORDING TO SOI, CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES OF THIS ORGANIZATION ARE DIRECTED BY A COMMITTEE IN ITALY, HEADED BY
  MARIO DE BONETTO. THIS COMMITTEE HAS RESPONSIBILITY
  FOR ULTIMATE SELECTION OF TARGETS FOR KIDNAPPING, AND FOR
  ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE SPECIALIZED GROUPS WHICH
  ACTUALLY CARRY OUT THE KIDNAPPINGS, NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING,
  AND OTHER CRIMINAL ACTIVITY.
- 4. A FRENCHMAN, MICHELE DE LA BIGNE (V) OR BIGNET (V), WHO RESIDES IN PARIS, ALLEGEDLY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LOGISTICS (FALSE PASSPORTS, ARMS, ETC.) FOR OPERATIVES. ACCORING TO SOI, BIGNE HAS MET ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS WITH HECTOR VILLALON (V) ARGENTINE CITIZEN, AT 2 OR 20 ALIUNU BOSQUET, PLESSIS TREVISE, 94420, PARIS, FRANCE, TELEPHONE 394-1013. DURING IRANIAN HOSTAGE CRISIS, VILLALON WAS ALLEGEDLY USED AS AN INTERMEDIARY BETWEEN US AND IRANIAN NEGOTIATORS. PARIS ADDRESS IS CURRENTLY OCCUPIED BY AN ARGENTINE AND AN ITALIAN WHO ARE ALLEGED TO BE

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MEMBERS OF THE "GRUPO ROJO" (RED GROUP) FACTION OF THE SIGNO
21 PT.

- DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN SUBVERSION AND TERRORIST ACTIVITIES IN UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES, PRINCIPALLY IN CENTRALAND SOUTH AMERICAF SOI FURTHER IDENTIFIED FERNANDO AVELLO (V), CUBAN AMBASSADOR TO COLOMBIA AS AN IMPORTANT MEMBER OF THIS GROUP. FRANCISCO RAVELLO (V), THE BROTHER OF FERNANDO RAVELLO, IS ALLEGEDLY OPERATING IN ARGENTINA AS A CUBAN INTELLIGENCE AGENT UNDER DIRECT CONTROL OF A RUSSIAN KGB AGENT. CZECHOSLAVAKIAN DIPLOMATS, VLADISLAW SLEZAK (V) AND FNU ANTON (V) ARE ALSO ALLEGED TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE GROUPO ROJO AND OPERATING IN ARGENTINA UNDER KGB DIRECTION. JUAN CARLOS XIZZO (V) OF UNKNOWN NATIONALITY IS ALLEGEDLY OPERATING AS AN AGENT FOR THE GROUP ROJO IN BOLIVIA UNDER SIMILAR CONTROL. RIZZO IS ALLEGED TO TRAVEL FREQUENTLY TO AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND, AND SWITZERLAND UNDER THE GUISE OF A BOOK SALESMAN.
- 6. SOI IDENTIFIED SALVADOR DEL ROCCA (V) OR DE LA ROCCA
  (V), AN ITALIAN NATIONAL, AND OLGA ALAMANTE-CASLILLO (V),
  MEXICAN -AMERICAN FEMALE, AS SIGNO 21 PT MEMBERS OPERATING

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IN THE AREA OF LOS ANGELES. CALIFORNIA. DE LA

IN THE AREA OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. DE LA ROCCA IS ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED IN THE SMUGGLING OF HEROIN FROM ITALY TO CONUS AND COCAINE FROM SOUTH AMERICA TO CONUS. TALAMANTE-CASTILLO IS ALLEGEDLY ACTIVE IN THE CHICANO POLITICAL MOVEMENT. ACCORDING TO SOI SHE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE ARGENTINE TERRORIST ORGANIZATION. MONTONEROS FROM 1974-1976.

- 7. SOI SAID HE HAD LEARNED THAT THREE PERSONS IN CONUS
  WERE CURRENTLY CONSIDERED AS TARGETS FOR KIDNAPPING BY SIGNO
  21 PT. ONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS IS ALLEGED TO BE A 4TH VICE
  PRESIDENT OF THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK IN NEW YORK. ANOTHER
  IS ALLEGED TO BE A SAUDI ARABIAN. WHO IS ACTIVE IN THE IMPORTATION OF PETROLEUM TO U. S. FROM SAUDI ARABIA. THIRD INDIVIDUAL
  ALLEGEDLY TARGETTED IS AMERICAN AUTHOR HAROLD ROBBINS.
- 8. SOI IDENTIFIED ARAB MALE, YUSEF HAGDAD (V) AS A SIGNO 21 PT OPERATIVE IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL AND CZECHOSLO-VAKIAN DIPLOMAT FNU PETRAC AS SIGNO 21 PT OPERATIVE IN AUSTRALIA.
- 9. REQUEST ADDRESSES PROVIDE BACO WITH ANY FILE REFERENCES
  OR BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING ANY OF THE AFOREMENTIONED
  INDIVIDUALS. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT SOI SI CONSIDERD TO BE OF QUESTIONABLE RELIABILITY AT THIS TIME.

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DEA HAS REQUESTED LEGAT CONTACT THE WEST GERMAN INTERNAL CECURITY SERVICE (BFV) (PROTECT) AND WEST GERMAN FEDERAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (BND) (PROTECT) RE PERSONS AND GROUPS IDENTIFIED IN CABLE, WHICH LEGAT WILL DO.

ABOVE PROVIDED TO FBIHD IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE THREAT TO

IF NOT ALREADY DONE, LEGAT SUGGESTS FRING COORDINATE WITH DEANG TO INSURE APPROPRIATE LEGATS ARE ADVISED OF ABOVE AND TO INSURE APPROPRIATE STEPS ARE TAKEN TO PROTECT U.S. PERSONS AND PROPERTY.

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